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For: A MACHINE FOR WORKING SHEET METAL PARTS, IN PARTICULAR A
FLANGING MACHINE, AND A SYSTEM FOR DRIVING THE MACHINE

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